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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) is a nonprovisional patent application:

For (Title): POROUS HYDROPHILIC MEMBRANES

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- 58 pages of Specification/Claims 1-24/Abstract are attached.
- Formal drawings (Figs. 1A-3B; 3 sheets) are attached.
- A Declaration and Power of Attorney is attached.
- An assignment of the invention to Ausimont S.p.A. is attached, along with Form PTO-1595 and a check for \$40.00.
- A Preliminary Amendment is attached.
- Priority of foreign application No. MI2001 A 000384 filed February 26, 2001 in Italy is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119.
- A certified copy of the above corresponding foreign application is attached.

The filing fee is calculated below and includes claim status after entry of any Preliminary Amendment noted above:

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BASIC FEE		
TOTAL CLAIMS	24 - 20	= 4
INDEP CLAIMS	1 - 3	= 0
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SMALL ENTITY

RATE	Fee
	\$ 370
x 9 =	
x 42 =	
+140 =	
TOTAL	

LARGE ENTITY

RATE	Fee
	\$ 740
x 18 =	\$ 72
x 84 =	
+280 =	
TOTAL	\$ 812

- Check No. 335189 in the amount of \$852.00 (\$812.00 for the filing fee and \$40.00 for the Assignment Recordation Fee) is attached. Please charge any fee deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 01-2300.

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